

Special Education Programs

Information, News and Events

May 2017



Next Sped Director Call:

May 16, 2017—10 a.m. CST

Connect through Skype for Business at:

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Direct dial: 1(866)410-8397

Participant code: 1286289700

Agenda Items:

- Fall IEP Workshop Schedule
- Suspension/Expulsion Data
- Flowthrough Application

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Sped Program Highlights

SPP Coordination is ending beginning 17-18 school year. School districts will utilize their [region representative](#) or the [sped contact](#) who oversees the indicator to assist with data analyzation and questions related to their data. Surveys have been distributed by the SPP Coordinators and we appreciate the feedback districts have provided. If you have not submitted your survey, there is still time.

Federal Program Highlights

Better Hearing and Speech Month 2017: May Coffee Break Webinar Series

May is Better Hearing and Speech Month! The Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) is excited to announce collaborative efforts to celebrate this year's theme, "Communication: The Key to Connection." OSEP's Early Childhood Assistive Technology Model Demonstration grantees and Center on Technology and Disability will partner with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Early Childhood Hearing Outreach initiative and the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to bring you a series of webinars related to the goals of the month. (see attached flyer)

DOE Program Highlights

Teacher Appreciation Week is Monday, May 8—Friday, May 12. We would like to thank all South Dakota special education teachers for the dedication you have to serving students with disabilities.

Board of Education to consider rule changes May 15

The state Board of Education will hold a public hearing on proposed rules changes impacting several areas, including accountability calculations for SY 2016-17 and teacher and principal performance standards and evaluation. To offer public comment, visit rules.sd.gov, click on "Department of Education" and look for the "May 15, 2017" rules package.

"Anything is possible.
Anything can be."

Shel Silverstein

Professional Development

(click on the titles to go to registration site)

2017 Northern Plains Law Conference—October 2—4 in Billings, MT.

The Northern Plains Law Conference on Students with Disabilities will cover special education legal issues, including the latest information from due process hearings, circuit court cases, OSEP/OCR guidance letters, and basic IDEA procedural requirements.

This conference is designed for general/special education staff, administrators, state/school district attorneys, state education agency staff, related services staff, parents, and other stakeholders.

Professional Development Workshop Featuring Christine Sleeter—June 7-9, 2017 , University Center, Sioux Falls

Christine Sleeter is an author, speaker, teacher, and activist in multicultural/ culturally responsive teaching.

MTSS Summer Education Conference registration is almost full! If you have registered and will not be able to attend, please go to the registration site and cancel your registration so others can attend. Cancellations made by June 21 will be honored, less a \$35 cancellation fee. Modifications/edits can be made through June 27 free of charge. Substituting someone else to come in your place can be done through June 27 free of charge. Each of the above must be done by logging into your account. You will need your confirmation number (received in your confirmation email after registering).

BDI2 follow-up Webinar for participants who attended the training in Rapid City has been scheduled for May 18th at 2:00 MST. Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions and review specific examples related to:

- Areas of more practice
- Additional examples in certain domains
- Online DataManager
- Scoring procedures
- Videos examples

2017 Transition Summer Institute **Our Students, Their Future**

The Transition Summer Institute has a variety of presenters covering various transition topics from WIOA, to parent involvement to behavior/motivation.

The Institute is being held at the Arrowhead Resort in Oacoma (formerly Cedar Shores Resort) on June 26-27, 2017. The \$50 registration fee covers continental breakfast and lunch for both days. CEU and graduate credit are available. Registration is due by June 13, 2017.



Sped Program **Feature Presentation**

2017-2018 IEP Workshops

New format – Participants can choose to attend one day, a day and a half, or two days. For example, a participant can choose to come on Day 1 (Basic) and the morning of Day 2 (Advanced) or the afternoon of Day 2(Advanced) and Day 3 (Transition).

3 day cycle of workshops:

- ◆ Basic—Day 1—This workshop provides general information on the IEP process without going into depth. It is perfect for beginning SPED teachers.
- ◆ Advance—Day 2 (reoccurring morning/afternoon session) - This workshop will go in depth into specific parts of the IEP process that cause veteran SPED teachers issues.
- ◆ Transition—Day 3—This workshop provides information on the IEP process and how transition for high school students is part of that process.

IEP Workshop Dates:

- August 14, 15, 16 Douglas
- August 16,17,18 Sioux Falls
- August 21, 22, 23 Lead
- August 23,24,25 Pierre
- August 28, 29, 30 Brookings
- September 6,7,8 Mobridge
- September 11, 12, 13 Sioux Falls
- September 13, 14, 15 Aberdeen